

Performance Pontoons

# JC Manufacturing

## SportToon 23 TT

for 2009



Number of Occupants	Price As Tested With Power	Maximum MPH Speed	Horsepower As Tested	Number of Gates	0-20 MPH
15	\$59.5K	51.3	250	4	5.19

### The Ed Factor

**POSITIVE:** Under helm access • Stainless lift and lock gates • Great legroom • In-floor storage with bilge  
**• Seven year powder coat warranty** **ONE THING I'D CHANGE:** Walk room—the table could be mounted closer to the furniture.

**> Why We Love This Boat**  
 With the added performance to the already stylish and unique-looking pontoon, this JC is loaded with amenities and great high-end features.

**> Just Being Picky**  
 For cosmetic reasons only, we'd like to see stainless hardware used for the latches and hinges on the storage compartments to complete the high-end look.

### OUR FIRST IMPRESSION

At every Shootout there are one or two boats that are the "talk of the block" so to speak and this year it was JC that seemed to be receiving plenty of extra attention. Like all JC pontoons, the SportToon has a unique design that doesn't look like any other pontoon in the industry. But the reason for the positive buzz for JC was the addition of lifting strakes to its already proven hull. Our on-trailer inspection crew were first to spot the fins and word traveled fast after that.

### CONSUMER TEST

We love the look of the new stainless steel gate in the stern that flows well with the stainless saloon-style bow gates. Included with the rear-entry design is the new re-designed dual swim platform that provides a good handhold when using the hidden pull-out ladder.

Another high-end addition is the PWR-ARM hydraulic bimini top from Schwintek. The rounded frame is heavy-walled polished aluminum and specially designed for JC and there is even a manual hydraulic override switch below one of the seats. A new, brighter and more durable Extreme Pre-fix vinyl is being used this year and you probably won't appreciate it until you own the boat.

One of the few options on this model is the in-tube ski and wakeboard storage compartment that is complete with an automatic bilge pump. Other options include the height adjustable table and three lounge modules that include storage spots for a flip-up table, cooler storage and a trash container.

For the captain, the breathable Visionaire mesh helm seat includes a flip-up bolster and it slides and swivels. Also worth noting is the legroom below the helm console that really lets you stretch out.

The silver panel on the sporty-looking

helm console perfectly flows with the feel of this boat. Included at the helm is a Clarion CD, two 12-volt outlets, MP3 port and a Hummingbird 787c GPS and fish finder. There are plenty of stainless accents throughout the boat, but if we had to be picky we'd like to see more to help tie in the look. If the latches and hinges on the storage compartments were stainless it would complete the high-end look, but again we know we're just being picky with this cosmetic suggestion.

### INSPECTION TEST

Three high-volume U-shaped pontoons are the base for this 23-foot boat and the lifting fins on the inside of the outer tubes and on both sides of the center pontoon are nicely welded. The cross members are on 16-inch centers and are screwed to the plywood deck and the riveted splash skin fully covers the bottom. The transom is well braced and heavily constructed.

There is nearly 16 feet of usable deck space up top and the Rotocast seat bases are screwed to the deck, while the helm console is thru-bolted.

Overall we consider this to be a well-built boat with excellent fit and finish work that earns high marks for its craftsmanship quality.

### PERFORMANCE TEST

Hydro-performance Lifting Fins, plus JC's SportToon Hull, plus Teleflex SeaStar hydraulic steering, equals one impressive thrill ride. She banks beautifully in the very sharp turns and with the Evinrude 250hp E-TEC we hit the 50 mile per hour mark at full throttle. With the new lifting fins this boat is now in the elite company of the top performing pontoon boats.

### FINAL THOUGHTS

The attention to detail is amazing

and it has the amenities and features that you'd expect to find on a high-end pontoon. Plenty of innovative and space-saving ideas, plus it's a JC so you don't have to worry about the construction quality.

### NOTABLE STANDARDS

Fiberglass bow corner cabinets, dual horns with SS grill, helm and captain's chair covers, Roto-molded seat bases, rear sundeck with SS rails, deluxe flip-top helm, wood tilt-steering wheel, Matrix 727 with GPS, stern cocktail table, 55-gallon gas tank, Clarion CD player, Sirius satellite radio, SS stern boarding ladder, courtesy/mood rope lighting, hydraulic steering, Power Assist, lifting fins and increased hp rating.

### OPTIONS ON TEST BOAT

L-group and bow lounge modules (lounger with storage and table, cooler, trash container), oval table bow, adjustable height table leg, freestanding table with cooler, Matrix 787 upgrade, ski/tow, Clarion speaker upgrade, iPool adapter, deluxe sound system, in-tube wakeboard storage and dual rear swim platform.

### BOAT SPECS

LOA.....	23'
Beam.....	8' 6"
Hull Design.....	TriToon with Lifting Fins
Dry Weight .....	2340 lbs.
Fuel Capacity .....	55 Gallons

### ENGINE

Engine.....	Evinrude E-TEC 250
Cylinder Type .....	V6
Cubic-inch Displacement/Horsepower .....	210ci/250hp
Lower Unit Gear Ratio .....	1.71:1
Propeller .....	15 1/4 X 17 Pitch

RPM	vs. SPEED	vs. DBA
550.....	2.6 mph	85.5
1000.....	4.8 mph	88.5
1500.....	6.7 mph	93
2000.....	10.5 mph	92.5
2500.....	15.7 mph	97
3000.....	20.7 mph	96.5
3500.....	29.6 mph	103.5
4000.....	34.4 mph	103.5
4500.....	40.2 mph	107.5
5000.....	44.5 mph	109
5500.....	47.9 mph	108
5800.....	51.3 mph	108

### PRICES

Price As Tested.....	\$59,479
(Boat and Motor)	
Base retail with standards .....	\$30,667
(Boat Only)	